

BEFORE THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

LORNA STREMPCHA,)	
)	
Charging Party)	Cause No. 0039010185
)	
vs.)	ORDER AFFIRMING
)	NOTICE OF DISMISSAL
)	
HAVRE PUBLIC SCHOOLS)	
)	
Respondent.)	

The above-captioned matter came before the Montana Human Rights Commission (Commission) on May 30, 2003. The Commission considered Charging Party's objection to the Notice of Dismissal of her complaint. Charging Party, Lorna Stremcha, did not make a timely request for oral argument. The matter was considered on the existing record and subsequent briefs. *Admin. R. Mont. 24.9.1714(2)*

After due consideration, the Commission concludes that the Human Rights Bureau properly dismissed the matter. The record supports the conclusion that Charging Party was unable to establish by a preponderance of the evidence that she had been subject to discrimination and/or retaliation. *See Mont. Code Ann. § 49-2-504(1)(a)* Consequently, the Commission determines there was no abuse of discretion by the Human Rights Bureau in its issuance of a Notice of Dismissal. *Admin. R. Mont. 24.9.1714(3)*

Charging Party will have 90 days after the receipt of this order to petition a district court in the district where the alleged violation occurred for the appropriate relief. *Mont. Code Ann. § 49-2-509(5) and Admin. R. Mont. 24.9.1714(5)* If Charging Party fails to commence a civil action within 90 days, the claim is time barred. *Id.*

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that Charging Party's objection is overruled and notice of dismissal is affirmed.

Dated this _____ day of June 2003

Mr. Gary Hindoien, Chair
Montana Human Rights Commission

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersign employee of the Human Rights Bureau certifies that a true copy of the forgoing Human Rights Commission ORDER was served on the following persons by U.S. mail, postage prepaid, on June ____, 2003.

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